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respectfully respects pursuant to Local Rule Civ.L.R. 83-3(g)(3) that Daniel A. Edelman, Cathleen M. Combs, James O. Latturner, and Cassandra P. Miller be permitted to withdraw as counsel in the present action.

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MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES

I. INTRODUCTION

Plaintiff's Counsel, Daniel A. Edelman, Cathleen M. Combs, James O. Latturner, and Cassandra P. Miller, by this Motion, seek an order of the Court, pursuant to Civ. L.R. 83.3(g)(3), allowing Edelman, Combs, Latturner & Goodwin, LLC, and each, every and all of its attorneys, to withdraw as counsel of record for Plaintiff Ashok Arora ("Arora"). Counsel seeks to withdraw from representation with the consent of its client, Plaintiff Arora. On or about March 4, 2016, Plaintiff Arora submitted his request to opt out of the class action settlement currently pending before this Court with the intent to pursue his individual claims originally asserted in, and transferred from, *Arora v. Midland Credit Management, Inc., et al.*, Case No. 15-cv-06109 (N.D. Ill.).

II. GOOD CAUSE EXISTS TO ALLOW COUNSEL TO WITHDRAW

A. Plaintiff has Consented to the Withdrawal

Plaintiff Arora has consented to the withdrawal.

B. There has Been a Breakdown in Communication Which Prevents Counsel from Adequately Represented the Rights of Plaintiff Arora

The attorney-client relationship between plaintiff and Counsel has deteriorated to the point where counsel does not believe they can continue to represent plaintiff. In addition, on January 25, 2016, plaintiff sent Counsel correspondence terminating the attorney client relationship. Subsequently, plaintiff agreed to continue working with Counsel. On March 14, 2016, plaintiff again withdrew his authority for Counsel to take any action on his behalf. On June 8, 2016, plaintiff requested that Counsel withdraw from this pending litigation. Under the circumstances, Counsel is required to request leave to withdraw as plaintiffs' counsel.

III. A WITHDRAWAL WILL NOT CAUSE DELAY OR PREJUDICE

Allowing counsel to withdraw will not cause delay in this action, nor any prejudice to Plaintiff Arora because Plaintiff Arora has submitted a request to opt out of the pending Class Action Settlement and intends to pursue his individual claims originally asserted in, and transferred from, *Arora v. Midland Credit Management, Inc.*, *et al.*, Case No. 15-cv-06109 (N.D. Ill.). Thus, withdrawal of counsel should have no impact on the timeline of the litigation.

IV. CONCLUSION

For all the foregoing reasons, Plaintiff's Counsel, Daniel A. Edelman, Cathleen M. Combs, James O. Latturner, and Cassandra P. Miller, by this Motion, seek an order of the Court, pursuant to Civ. L.R. 83.3(g)(3), allowing Edelman, Combs, Latturner & Goodwin, LLC, and each, every and all of its attorneys, to withdraw as counsel of record for Plaintiff Arora.

Dated: June 10, 2016

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DECLARATION OF DANIEL A. EDELMAN

- I, Daniel A. Edelman, declare and states as follows:
 - 1. I am the leading attorney for Plaintiff Ashok Arora and a member of Edelman, Combs, Latturner & Goodwin, LLC. I have personal knowledge of the matters set forth below, and if called on to testify as a witness, I could and would do so competently.
 - 2. Edelman, Combs, Latturner & Goodwin, LLC was retained by Ashok Arora, in the original action *Arora v. Midland Credit Management, Inc., et al.*, Case No. 15-cv-06109 (N.D. Ill.), which was subsequently transferred to the present action.
 - 3. On or about March 4, 2016, Plaintiff Arora, through counsel, submitted his request to opt out of the present class action settlement with the intent to pursue his individual claims originally asserted in, and transferred from, Case No. 15-cv-06109 (N.D. Ill.).
 - 4. The attorney-client relationship between plaintiff and Counsel has deteriorated to the point where counsel does not believe they can continue to represent plaintiff.
 - 5. On January 25, 2016, plaintiff sent Counsel correspondence terminating the attorney client relationship. Subsequently, plaintiff agreed to continue working with Counsel. On March 14, 2016, plaintiff withdrew his authority for Counsel to take any action on his behalf. On June 8, 2016, plaintiff requested that counsel withdraw from this pending litigation. Under the circumstances, Counsel is required to request leave to withdraw as plaintiffs' counsel.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America, that the foregoing is true and correct and that I execute this declaration on June 10, 2016.

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1	(3) Declaration of Counsel in Support Thereof
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